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# **Bonnie Rogers**

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December 1, 2005 1:01 AM

Representative John Peterson U.S. House of Representatives 123 Cannon House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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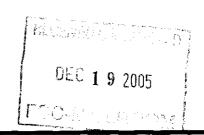
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Sincerely,

**Bonnie Rogers** 

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**Tony Penc** 

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December 1, 2005 8:20 AM

Senator Hillary Clinton U.S. Senate 476 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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#### **Bettie Scott**

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December 1, 2005 6:46 AM

Senator Richard Lugar U.S. Senate 306 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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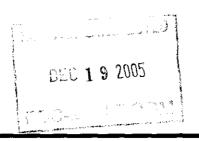
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#### Debbie Reinbolt

20470 W. Hellwig Rd., Martin, OH 43445

December 1, 2005 7:15 AM

Senator Mike DeWine U.S. Senate 140 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Debbie Reinbolt

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## ronald buehrer

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November 30, 2005 11:24 PM

Representative Marcy Kaptur U.S. House of Representatives 2366 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

# Dear Representative Kaptur:

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Sincerely,

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cc:

# michelle holcomb

15 mersereau pl, portville, NY 14770

December 1, 2005 11:03 AM

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Sincerely,

michelle holcomb

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### anita bannister

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December 1, 2005 10:48 AM

Senator Jim Demint U. S. Senate 340 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Sincerely,

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4937 Euclid Ave, East Chicago, IN 46312-3742

December 1, 2005 11:40 AM

Representative Pete Visclosky U.S. House of Representatives 2256 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

Ida Halliburton

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curtis miles

250 collin rd., murfreesboro, North Carolina 27855

November 24, 2005 10:36 PM

The Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear The Federal Communications Commission:

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cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

Sincerely,

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Senator Richard Burr Senator Elizabeth Dole Representative G. Butterfield RECUED & INSPECTED uct 1 9 2005 FCC - MAILROOM

Christina Gleason

249 Main St., Norfolk, Massachusetts 02056

December 11, 2005 03:54 PM

The Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Thank you very much, Christina Gleason 249 Main Street Norfolk, MA 02056

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

Sincerely, Christina Gleason

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Senator Edward Kennedy Senator John Kerry

Representative Barney Frank

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# Maggie Conner FCC - MAILROOM

505 Butte Street, Yreka, California 96097

December 11, 2005 12:45 PM

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Senator Dianne Feinstein Senator Barbara Boxer Representative Wally Herger

# Viva Mayfield

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November 30, 2005 11:10 PM

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# Jeffery Henke

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December 1, 2005 5:50 AM

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Sincerely,

Jeffery Henke

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November 30, 2005 11:32 PM

Senator Charles Schumer U.S. Senate 313 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

**Emily DeTraglia** 

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302 east G street, Russellville, AR 72801

December 1, 2005 11:28 AM

Senator Mark Pryor U.S. Senate 257 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Sincerely,

Chloe Nelson

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December 1, 2005 11:22 AM

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Sincerely,

Bill Cooper

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December 1, 2005 10:39 AM

Representative Roger Wicker U.S. House of Representatives 2455 Cannon House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

# Dear Representative Wicker:

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Sincerely,

Kaye Hall

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December 1, 2005 10:06 AM

Representative Lincoln Davis U.S. House of Representatives 410 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

# Dear Representative Davis:

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Sincerely,

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December 1, 2005 10:20 AM

Senator Jon Corzine U.S. Senate 502 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Corzine:

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Sincerely,

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Jennifer Cardwell

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December 1, 2005 11:23 AM

Senator Ken Salazar U.S. Senate 702 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Salazar:

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Mary Carter

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December 1, 2005 10:47 AM

Senator Johnny Isakson U.S. Senate 120 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

#### Dear Senator Isakson:

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Sincerely,

Mary Carter

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December 1, 2005 10:10 AM

Senator Jim Demint U. S. Senate 340 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

# Dear Senator Demint:

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Sincerely,

Jerald W. Nicholson

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December 1, 2005 11:35 AM

Senator James Inhofe U.S. Senate 453 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

#### Dear Senator Inhofe:

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December 1, 2005 10:53 AM

Representative John Tierney U.S. House of Representatives 120 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

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William Hodgs

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November 30, 2005 11:40 PM

Representative Allen Boyd U.S. House of Representatives 1227 Longworth House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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